



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

"Parks Make Life Better!"

John Wicker, Acting Director

November 3, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDED RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HOUSING-RELATED PARKS PROGRAM
FOR VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request to approve and amend a previously adopted Board Resolution authorizing the acceptance of grant funds from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development through the Housing-Related Parks Program to include amount of grant funds received.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed action categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the project
2. Amend and approve a previously adopted Board Resolution to complete the acceptance process of a grant for \$447,950 from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development through its Housing-Related Parks Program to be used for park improvements at Atlantic Park, Athens Park, Bethune Park, and Amelia Mayberry Park. This Amended Resolution is required by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development of all Housing-Related Parks Program grantees to complete the grant acceptance process.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will approve and amend a previously adopted Board Resolution to complete the acceptance process of a grant for \$447,950 from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) through its Housing-Related Parks Program (HRPP).

On March 4, 2014, the Board found that the proposed refurbishment projects at Atlantic Park, Athens Park, Bethune Park, and Amelia Mayberry Park are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In addition, the Board delegated authority to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to accept HRPP grant funds from the State HCD, conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of improvements for the aforementioned parks. Subsequently, the HRPP grant in the amount of \$477,950 has been fully executed.

The previously adopted Board Resolution will be amended to include the grant amount received from the HRPP grant, as required by the State HCD. No other information aside from inclusion of the grant amount received has changed from the Resolution approved by the Board on March 4, 2014.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), Community Support and Responsiveness (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3), by providing and enhancing safe recreational opportunities that benefit County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The grant amount received from HRPP and indicated on the executed grant contract is \$477,950. An estimated \$11,000 of indirect costs are not eligible for reimbursement by the grant, and these costs will be covered by the General Fund.

Operating Budget Impact

Based on the grant project provisions, one-time and ongoing costs may result upon project completion. The Department will work with the Chief Executive Office to confirm the appropriate level of additional operating costs and will submit a New Facilities Request in the appropriate fiscal year.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The State HCD provides non-competitive funding opportunities through HRPP. HRPP was designed to encourage cities and counties to develop new residential housing by rewarding jurisdictions that make housing affordable to lower-income household and are in compliance with State housing element law.

County Counsel has reviewed this letter and approved the amended Resolution as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On March 4, 2014, the Board found that the proposed Atlantic Park, Athens Park, Bethune Park and Amelia Mayberry Park refurbishment projects are categorically exempt from CEQA. The proposed action does not alter CEQA findings as it is an amendment of a previously adopted Resolution accepting grant funds to include the grant amount of \$477,950.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The proposed actions will not have any impact on current services or projects.

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CONCLUSION

It is requested that one adopted copy of this action be forwarded to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division; and two adopted copies be forwarded to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Should you have any questions please contact Imee Perius at (213) 738-2957 or iperius@parks.lacounty.gov, Francine Choi at (213) 213-5033 or fchoi@parks.lacounty.gov, Kasey Dizon at (213)-738-2986 or kdizon@parks.lacounty.gov, or Kaye Michelson at (213) 738-2955 or kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,



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Acting Director

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer
Interim County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF STATE STANDARD AGREEMENT
FOR HOUSING RELATED PARKS PROGRAM GRANT**

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) issued a Notice of Funding Availability dated October 2, 2013 (NOFA), under its Housing-Related Parks (HRP) Program.

WHEREAS, by Resolution passed on March 4, 2014 County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (County DPR) was authorized to apply for a HRP Program Grant and submitted the 2013 Designated Program Year Application Package released by the Department for the HRP Program.

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to approve funding allocations for the HRP Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Department awarded County DPR an HRP Program Grant in the amount of \$447,950.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby:

Authorize and direct the Director of County DPR, or his or her designee, to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement), for an HRP Program Grant in the amount of \$447,950 and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the HRP Program Grant from the Department, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HRP Grant Documents").

Authorize the Director of County DPR, or his or her designee, to execute the HRP Grant Documents as required by the Department for participation in the HRP Program.

County DPR shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement. Funds are to be used for allowable capital asset project expenditures to be identified in **Exhibit A** of the Standard Agreement. The application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement. Any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the application are enforceable through the Standard Agreement. Applicant hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible capital asset(s) in the manner presented in the application as approved by the Department and in accordance with the NOFA and Program Guidelines and Application Package.

The foregoing resolution was passed on this _____ day of _____, 2015, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

PATRICK OGAWA, Acting Executive
Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Of the County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY WICKHAM
Interim County Counsel

By Chrt A Salseda
Christina A. Salseda
Principal Deputy County Counsel

Ayes: _____ Noes: _____ Absent: _____